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Business System and Method Using a Distorted Biometrics

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SIR:

The above-named application is a continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of pending U.S. application Serial No. 09/596,085. Enclosed are the following papers relating to the application:

- 1. New specification
- 2. 21 sheets of informal drawings
- 3. Copy of signed Declaration and Power of Attorney from prior application
- 4. Petition for Extension of Time

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- 1. This application is being filed by all the inventors named in the prior application.
- 2. The prior application is assigned of record to International Business Machines, Inc.
- 3. An Associate Power of Attorney to the undersigned has been entered in the prior application.

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